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SHEBALIN, SERGEY LVOVICH (legally changed in Munich, Germany, in June 1950

DPOB: 30 November 1920, Leningrad, USSR

Spelled SCHEBALIN in 201 File

AKA: ANTONOV, Rostislav Lvovich (real name)

AKA: FREULICH, Sergei (used to avoid forced repatriation to

the USSR in 1945)

His father, Lev Victorovich ROMADANOVSKY, was an Admiral of the Russian Imperial Navy; at the end of the Revolution he changed his name to ANTONOV.

On 15 August 1942 Schebalin, then a Captain in the Soviet Army, was captured by the Germans in the vicinity of Stalingrad. In March 1943 he went to Loetzen Camp which was especially set up to be a camp to be used for the forming of General Vlassov's Army. General Vlassov was in fact a Russian traitor who was given the responsibility by the Germans of setting up an anti-Communist brigade to fight the Russian Communists. In April 1943 Schebalin was sent to Berlin as Adjutant to General Vlassov. Due to General Vlassov's popularity, the Germans halted the entire undertaking in the fall of 1943. When the war ended, Schebalin did not want to be repatriated to the Russians and struggled to the American Zone.

He started using the name Sergei Schebalin in Kempten, the U.S. zone of Germany in May or June of 1945 to avoid repatriation. He claimed that the name was changed legally to Schebalin in Munich, Germany, in June 1950. His Mother's maiden name was Shebalin.

In September 1946 Schebalin was arrested when he followed a girlfriend to Munich. She denounced him to American authorities as a Vlassovite and he was arrested by U.S. M.P.'s and released in November 1946. He returned to Kempten and conducted blackmarket activities. In August 1947 he married Tatiana Afonasiyevna RAUN, who was also a Russian refugee. In October 1947 he was arrested by German Criminal Police for having three sets of identity documents and receiving three sets of ration cards.

Schebalin began working for the Agency in June 1951 and was assigned to an especially valuable and sensitive project. A Provisional Operational Clearance was granted on 15 January 1952 and again on 30 July 1951. An Operational Clearance was given on 14 November 1951. In July 1953 it was decided to bring Schebalin and his family to the U.S. At the time the

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plan was to employ him domestically as a spotter and interviewer. He was brought in under Section 8 of P.L. 110 because: (1) it was considered operationally mandatory to bring him in as soon as possible; (2) although his papers were in order, the Russian emigration quota had been recently cut and it would be 18 months before he could enter the U.S.; (3) the "preference quota" could not be used for admission because only atomic experts were in unquestionable demand in the U.S. at that time; and (4) because he was considered highly suitable for intelligence work. On 5 February 1954 he and his wife and their daughter, Margarita Sergeyevna, who was born in February 1948, entered the U.S. under Section 8 of P.L. 110. (Alien Registration Cards A8172417, A8172418, and A8172419).

While in Washington, D.C., he and his wife attended the Americanization School to learn English. He was under contract with the Agency for nine months thereafter, until 31 October 1954, at which time it was decided that his operational usefulness to the Agency was minimal and he became a disposal/resettlement case.

In January 1955 he and his family moved to Philadelphia and Schebalin found a job with Brown Instrument Company in Philadelphia, an affiliate of Minneapolis Honeywell. A representative of the Domestic Collection Division kept in contact with Schebalin and submitted periodic status reports as to his resettlement case. The last contact reflected that as of January 1958 Schebalin was referred to as a "permanent resident" under P.L. 110, Section 8. He was looking forward to receiving his engineering degree from college in the spring of 1960, and he had applied for U.S. citizenship.

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